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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA.

**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of March 25, 2005, please amend the above-entitled patent application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as set forth on the following two pages:

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST CLASS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO: COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231, ON September 26, 2005.

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